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Re: Filing of **Response to Staff's Motion to Have Robert Gray Testify Telephonically**
Docket No. G-01551A-02-0425

Accompanying this letter are the original and fourteen (14) copies of a document, entitled **Response to Staff's Motion to Have Robert Gray Testify Telephonically**. Please accept the original and thirteen (13) of the copies for filing and date/time stamp the remaining copy and return it to me in the stamped, self-addressed envelope which also accompanies this letter.

Thank you for the usual courtesy.

Respectfully,

Andrew W. Bettwy

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BEFORE THE ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION

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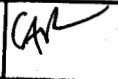
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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF)
SOUTHWEST GAS CORPORATION FOR)
APPROVAL OF ACQUISITION PLAN AND, IF)
APPROPRIATE, WAIVER OF SELECTED)
PROVISIONS OF THE AFFILIATE RULES.)

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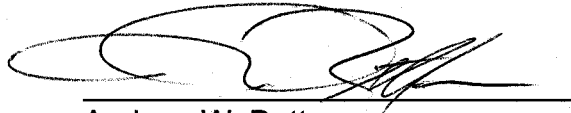
Southwest Gas Corporation ("Southwest") respectfully responds to Staff's request that Staff witness Robert Gray testify telephonically during the hearing scheduled to commence on February 24, 2003.

Southwest would prefer to conduct cross-examination of Mr. Gray with him present in the hearing room. For reasons that are readily apparent, telephonic cross-examination is not a comparable substitute for a "face-to-face" dialogue. Southwest proposes that the hearing be postponed until either Friday, February 28, or Monday, March 3, to accommodate Mr. Gray's schedule.

Just in case the hearing were to last more than one day, the Monday start date might be the safest from the standpoint of everyone's convenience. However, as a practical matter, to the best of the undersigned's knowledge, none of the parties anticipate the conduct of the hearing will take more than one day; accordingly, commencing the hearing on Friday likely would be a reasonable alternative.

Although this Response is being filed on Friday, February 14, a copy was faxed yesterday, February 13, to ALJ Rodda and all of the parties.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 14th day of February, 2003.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Andrew W. Bettwy', is written over a horizontal line.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have served the foregoing **Response To Request By Staff**
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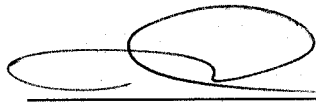
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